4. Tamil Nadu Newsprint and Papers Limited, Pugalur, Trichy Dist. (Tamil Nadu).

(b) Total installed capacity. 2,80,000 tonnes per annum Production :

Production :	
1985-86	2,70,486MT
1986-87 (April-October 1985)	1,61,414MT

(c) The quantity of newsprint imported is as follows :—

Year	Quantity (In tonnes)	Percentage of imports to total availability
1985-86	1,94,331	42·02
1986-87 (April-Oct.86)	1,24,000 (approx)	42.39

Free legal aid service to poor

2588. SHRI RAMSINGHBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI : Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have taken more steps recently to provide free legal aid services to poor and middle class people;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what types of free legal aid services are being given and what is the procedure to get such services; and

(d) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the reported news in Indian Express of 30th October, 1986 under the caption 'Law Panel Favours Grass Root Justice'; if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ) : (a) and (b) Government have constituted the Committee known as "Committee for Implementing Legal Aid Schemes" by Resolution dated 26-9-1980, to formulate implement, and monitor a comprehensive legal aid programme on a uniform basis through-out the country and it has been functioning since then.

(c) Legal aid includes the cost of drafting, cyclostyling of the plaint etc., court fee and advocate's fee for appearance. According to the Model Scheme evolved by the CILAS, any citizen whose income from all sources does not exceed Rs. 6,000/- per annum is entitled to free legal services. This limitation as to income is not applicable in case of persons, belonging to S.C., S.T., women and children etc. Every State Legal Aid and Advice Board has prescribed application form for obtaining legal aid which an applicant has to fill up. The case is then referred to a Screening Committee and if the Screening Committee certifies that it is a fit case to be agitated before an appropriate forum, the case is admitted for free legal services.

(d) Yes, Sir. The Law Commission has recently submitted its Report on Gram Nyayalaya. The Report has been laid on the Table of the House on 24-11-86. Some of the salient features of the Report are :—

(i) Setting up of a statutory village level court called Gram Nyayalaya.

(ii) The composition of the Court shall be one legally trained Judge and two lay Judges.

(iii) There shall be adequate representation to the members of weaker sections of the society, S.C., S.T., women and backward classes among lay Judges.

(iv) The Gram Nyayalaya should make every attempt to resolve the dispute by conciliation and consensus.

(v) The procedure followed by the Court will not be governed by any rigid Rules.

(vi) The Court should have both civil and criminal jurisdiction.